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S E C R E T DAMASCUS 1553

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E.O. 11652 GDS
TAGS: PEPR, MOPS, SY, LE, IS
SUBJ: SOUTH LEBANON: MOVEMENT OF IRAQI TRUCK CONVOY
REF: STATE 71173

1. HAVE CONTACTED KHADDAM'S PRIVATE SECRETARY AND RELAYED
MESSAGE PARA 4 REFTTEL. FONMIN IS IN MEETING WITH ALGERIAN,
LIBYAN AND PDRY FONMINS BUT SECRETARY EXPECTS TO BE ABLE CONTACT
HIM WITHIN ABOUT ONE HOUR (2300Z).

2. ASSUMPTION IN DAMASCUS IS THAT THIS MEETING OF STEADFASTNESS
FRONT WAS CALLED BEFORE SYRIA REALIZED UNSC ACTION WOULD BE
SO RAPID. TOTAL CYNICISM PREVAILS AMONG SYRIANS ABOUT THEIR
GOVERNMENT'S INTENTION IN CONVOKING MEETING, ALTHOUGH WE ASSUME
THERE WILL HAVE TO BE SOME PRACTICAL RESULT IN TERMS OF PLEDGING
SUPPORT OF PALESTINIANS
WITH SOME ARMS/AMMO TO REPLACE LOSSES.

3. WILL REPORT FONMIN'S REACTION SOONEST BUT DO NOT RPT NOT
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EXPECT SEE HIM UNTIL EARLY MORNING.

4. FOR KUWAIT: WILL FORWARD MCP BOB 21 MARCH.
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